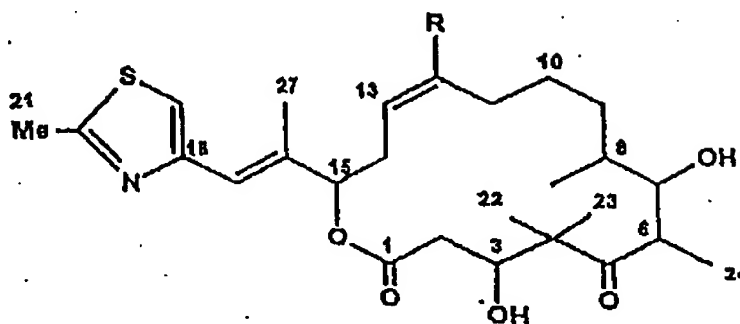


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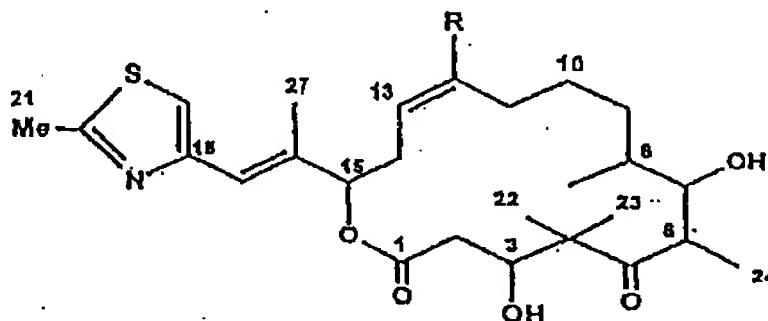
1. (Original) Epothilone C of the formula:



Epothilone C R = H

2. (Original) Epothilone of the empirical formula $C_{26}H_{39}NO_5S$, characterized by the 1H - and ^{13}C -NMR spectrum as in Table 1.

3. (Original) Epothilone D of the formula:

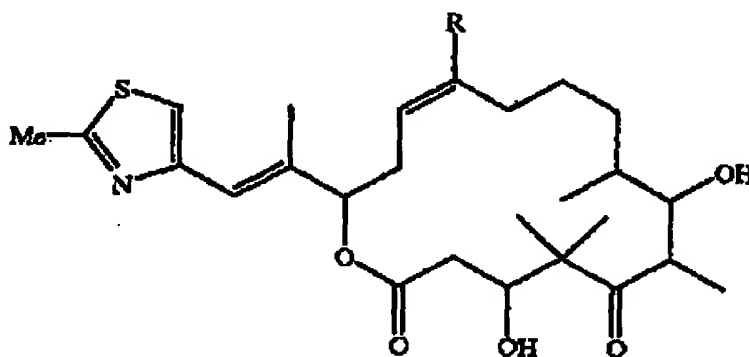


Epothilone D R = CH_3

4. (Original) Epothilone of the empirical formula $C_{27}H_{41}NO_5S$, characterized by the 1H - and ^{13}C -NMR spectrum as in Table 1.

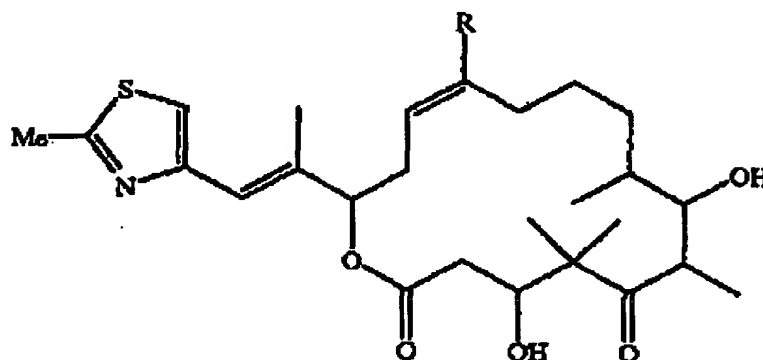
5. Claims 5-14 (previously cancelled).

15. (Original) Composition for plant protection in agriculture and forestry and/or in horticulture comprising at least one compound according to any one of claims 1, 2, 3 or 4, optionally in addition to at least one carrier and/or diluent.
16. (Original) Therapeutic composition comprising at least one compound according to any one of claims 1, 2, 3 or 4, optionally in addition to at least one carrier and/or diluent.
17. (Cancelled)
18. (Previously presented) A therapeutic composition comprising an epothilone of the formula



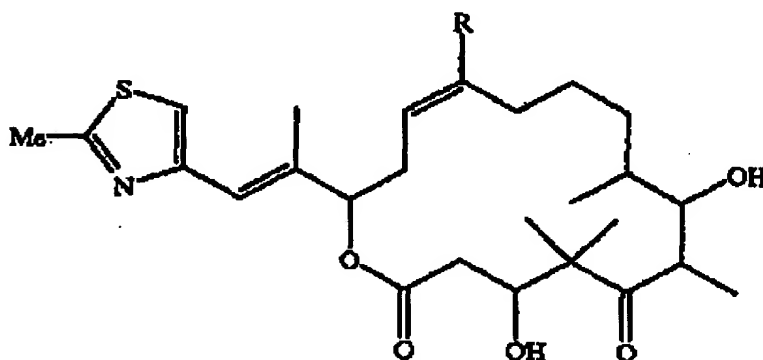
wherein R is hydrogen or methyl.

19. (Previously presented) A method of controlling malignant tumours comprising:
administering a therapeutic amount of an epothilone of the formula



wherein R is hydrogen or methyl.

20. (Previously presented) An isolated compound having the structure



wherein R is hydrogen or methyl.